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N-TUPLE OR RAM BASED NEURAL NETWORK CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM AND METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

following preliminary amendments and remarks respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-42 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

Please add the following new claims:

--43. A method of training a computer classification system which can be defined by a network comprising a number of n-tuple or Look Up Tables (LUTs), with each n-tuple or LUT comprising a number of rows corresponding to at least a subset of possible classes and further comprising, a number of columns being addressed by signals or elements of sampled training input